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The Plovdiv Okrug people's soviet limits itself to reporting all these shortcomings, without suggesting any measures for their elimination. It is therefore urgent to establish strict party and trade union controls in every local industrial combine or enterprise.

CRITICIZE SMALL BAKERIES -- Sofia, Izgrev, 14 Feb 51

In spite of the law establishing regulations for bread manufacture, a great number of small, unsanitary, and unprofitable bakeries are still continuing operations. Decree No 13 of 25 May 1949, issued by the Council of Ministers, commissioned the Ministry of Municipal Economy, the State Control Commission, and the people's soviets to prepare a joint program for bread manufacture under the Five-Year Plan. Under that program the 1,841 small baking enterprises throughout the country have been merged into 856 larger bakeries. In addition, 362 bakery stores have been opened for the sale of bread. The merging program has meant savings of 35-40 percent in the use of fuel, put a stop to the waste of flour, and eliminated the too old and too young groups among the workers. It has also brought more sanitary conditions and higher-quality of bread, improved working conditions, introduced political education, etc.

At present, a new type of enterprise is being introduced, consisting of a combined bakery, bathhouse, laundry, fruit-dehydrating plant, and canning enterprise. The campaign to improve, mechanize, and modernize bread manufacture will be continued and labor productivity increased. So far, a single worker produces 210-250 kilograms of bread, whereas in the USSR one worker makes 1,000-1,200 kilograms.

IMPROVE PORCELAIN MANUFACTURE -- Sofia, Trud, 12 Feb 51

The manufacture of insulators in the Izida state ceramics plant (Kurilo, Sofia Okoliya) has been improved, and the number of defective products in January 1951 was 6 percent below the figure of January 1950. The quality of Raschig rings delivered to the Stalin Fertilizer Plant is also steadily improving. The poorest manufacture at present is in the tile plant, where defects in January ran from 10 to 15 percent.

Cost-reduction plans are expected to save 30 million leva in 1951. In addition, a commission has been established to advance the completion of the yearly plan to 11 months. So far, the highest plan fulfillment has been reached in the tubular, oven, press, and wheel departments, whereas the best quality of production has been demonstrated in the shaping of insulators, with only 2 percent of defects.

SAWMILL OPERATORS PLEDGE TO SPEED OPERATIONS -- Sofia, Trud, 12 Feb 51

At the national convention of operators of the woodworking and lumber industry held recently in Velingrad, leaders of the Forest Industry State Enterprise and the forestry and woodworking trade union emphasized the need for activating and mobilizing all the resources of the industry. Frame-saw operators pledged to follow the example of Soviet sawyers and introduce high-speed operations, using 10-millimeter blades. They further pledged to use 12 millimeter blades for softwoods and 8-millimeter blades for hardwoods.

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